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SUBJECT: CONSULTATIONS ON DEALING WITH REFERENCES TO CERDS AND

NIEO RESOLUTIONS IN VARIOUS FORUMS

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FOREIGN MINISTRY OFFICIAL VAN DER TAK GAVE EMBOFF AIDE MEMOIRE JULY 9 CONFIRMING HIS ASSOCIATE BARK'S STATEMENT THAT GON SEE NO NEED FOR GENERAL STATEMENT UPHOLDING RESERVATIONS TO CERDS AND NIEO. TEXT OF AIDE MEMOIRE FOLLOWS:

QTE THE INTERNATIONAL DEBATE ON RELATIONS BETWEEN HIGHLY INDUSTRIALIZED AND DEVELOPING NATIONS GOT A NEW IMPETUS SINCE THE DECLARATION AND PROGRAMME OF ACTION ON A NEW ECONOMIC INTERNATIONAL ORDER WERE FORMULATED AT THE 6TH SPECIAL SESSION OF THE UNITED NATIONS.

THE NETHERLANDS GOVERNMENT WELCOMED THIS THIRD-WORLD INITIATIVE AS AN OPPORTUNITY TO LAY THE FOUNDATIONS OF A NEW SYSTEM OF INTERNATIONAL ECONOMIC CO-OPERATION. THE UNANIMOUS ADOPTION OF THE INTERNATIONAL DEVELOPMENT STRATEGY FOR THE SECOND DEVELOPMENT DECADE ALREADY RECOGNIZED THE NEED FOR CLOSER CO-OPERATION IN THE ATTAINMENT OF GOALS AND TARGETS IN A PROGRAMME OF INTERNATIONAL ACTION. ITS LACK OF IMPLEMENTATION, HOWEVER, POINTS TO THE NEED OF RESTRUCTURING INTERNATIONAL ECONOMIC CO-OPERATION.

THIS LACK OF IMPLEMENTATION AND THE SUBSEQUENT POLARIZATION IN INTERNATIONAL ECONOMIC RELATIONS WAS BASICALLY DUE TO THE REFUSAL ON THE PART OF THE DEVELOPED COUNTRIES TO OPEN THEIR MARKE FOR THE PRODUCTS OF THE DEVELOPING COUNTRIES.

THE ACTION OF THE DEVELOPING COUNTRIES THEREFORE IS FIRST AND FOREMOST A REACTION: THE CULMINATION OF THE ANNOYANCE FELT FOR MANY YEARS BY ALL DEVELOPING COUNTRIES THAT THEIR DESIRE TO BE ALLOWED TO PARTICIPATE IN THE WORLDECONOMY WAS NOT TAKEN SERIOUSLY, AND, IN FACT, WAS IGNORED.

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THE NETHERLANDS ENTERED SOME RESERVATIONS ON THE ACTION PROGRAMME ON THE NIEO. THE GOVERNMENT REGARDS, HOWEVER, THE OUTCOME OF THE 6TH SPECIAL SESSION POSITIVELY, BECAUSE IT BROUGHT ABOUT A SHARP AWARENESS OF THE NEED FOR CHANGES IN THE WORLD ECONOMIC SITUATION. DESPITE THE RESERVATIONS THE NEHTERLANDS GOVERNMENT AGREES WITH THE NIEO IN PRINCIPLE AND IS CONVINCED THAT EVERY-

THING POSSIBLE MUST BE DONE TO ENCOURAGE THE IMPLEMENTATION OF THE ACTION PROGRAMME ON A NIEO AND OF THE INTERNATIONAL DEVELOPMENT STRATEGY. ALL EFFORTS SHOULD BE MADE TO ACHIEVE FAR-REACHING CONCRETE RESULTS FOR THE BENEFIT OF DEVELOPING COUNTRIES, WITH DUE REGARD TO PROPOSALS AND SUGGESTIONS MADE BY THESE COUNTRIES.

THE NEXT SPECIAL ASSEMBLY SHOULD PROVIDE AN OPPORTUNITY FOR DOING SO.

IN THE LIGHT OF THE DECISIONS OF THE 6TH SPECIAL SESSION OF THE UNITED NATIONS ASSEMBLY CONCERNING A NEW ECONOMIC ORDER, THE NETHERLANDS ATTACH AND WILL CONTINUE TO ATTACH GREAT IMPORTANCE TO THE CHARTER OF ECONOMIC RIGHTS AND DUTIES OF STATES, WHICH CONSTITUTES A BASIS AND GUIDELINES FOR THE PROGRESSIVE REALIZATION OF SUCH AN ECONOMIC ORDER, NOTWITHSTANDING THE RESERVATION WHICH THE NETHERLANDS EXPRESSED ON CERTAIN PARAGRAPHS OF THE CHARTER.

THERE SHOULD BE NO DOUBT THAT THE NETHERLANDS ENDORSES THE SPIRIT OF THE CHARTER AND SHARES UNDERLYING ASPIRATION OF ITS SPONSORS.

IT IS PRECISELY FOR THAT REASON THAT THE NETHERLANDS SHOULD HAVE PREFERRED A FURTHER CONTINUATION OF THE NEGOTIATIONS IN ORDER TO REACH A CONSENSUS ON THE CHARTER. THE NETHERLANDS GOVERNMENT REGRET THAT THIS HAS NOT PROVED TO BE POSSIBLE.

IN DEALING WITH GENERAL REFERENCES TO CERDS AND NIEO THE NETHERLANDS GOVERNMENT IS ALSO CONCERNED OVER THE AMOUNT OF TIME BEING SPENT IN PROTECTING SPECIFIC LIMITED OFFICIAL USE

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POSITIONS WITH RESPECT TO THESE DOCUMENTS BUT FEELS THAT THE NIEO-RESOLUTIONS AND THE CERDS ARE ADOPTED UNITED NATIONS DOCUMENTS, THE BROAD PURPOSES OF WHICH SHOULD BE SUPPORTED BY THE INTERNATIONAL COMMUNITY.

THE NETHERLANDS GOVERNMENT THEREFORE SEES NO NEED TO REITERATE ITS RESERVATIONS EVERY TIME A REFERENCE TO THESE DOCUMENTS IS MADE AND DOES NOT DEEM IT DESIRABLE TO UNDERTAKE JOINT ACTION BY DEVELOPED COUNTRIES IN THIS RESPECT. UNQTE.
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